

CATEGORIES OF CIA INTELLIGENCE PUBLICATIONS

1. National Intelligence Estimate: An intelligence estimate which satisfies the criteria of NSCID No. 3 for national intelligence, normally developed under the guidance of ONE and bearing the concurrence or non-concurrence of the IAC members. (This would include current NIE's, SE's and SIE's.)

2. Intelligence Report: A publication presenting exhaustive research which may or may not include an estimate. The extent of the participation of the other agencies in the preparation of the report should, with their approval, be noted.

3. Provisional Intelligence Report: A preliminary version of an intelligence report or of certain parts of an extended project or a report which is not to be finished but on which considerable work has been done, it being recognized that postponement of publication, until all intended research is completed, would not be in the best interests of the parties concerned.

*4. Intelligence Review: A periodic publication (weekly or monthly) which brings together, systematically, closely related developments and provides an interpretation which extends backward in time beyond the period between issues.

*5. Intelligence Digest: A periodic and systematic presentation of evaluated intelligence data in an abridged form.

*6. Intelligence Bulletin: A publication high-lighting critical evaluated intelligence items with brief preliminary comment issued because of the probable value of such intelligence to immediate decisions confronting operating or policy officials.

7. Intelligence Memorandum: A brief timely and interpretative statement of intelligence.

8. Intelligence Collection Guide: A compilation of research needs systematically arranged and revised as necessary from time to time for the guidance of collectors.

9. Research Aid: Systematically arranged data for ready reference of analysts.

10. National Intelligence Survey: Basic intelligence published by CIA under the National Intelligence Survey Program.

* The words "Current," "Economic" or "Scientific" might be placed in front of these categories.

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11. Preliminary NIS Gazetteer: A compilation of standard geographic names which have been approved by the U. S. Board on Geographic Names.

12. External Research Study: A monograph prepared outside the Government and published by CIA.

*13. Summary: A weekly or monthly compendium of intelligence arranged under regional and functional headings designed to reveal the capabilities and intentions of foreign powers.

*NOTE: OCI believes that this category should be retained because its "Situation Summary" exists and that name best describes the contents. The AD/IC believes that it should be discontinued for the following reasons:

a. There is hardly enough difference between "Summary" and Review or Digest to warrant the use of the term.

b. The word "Summary" is frequently used in connection with any longer study where the boiling down of data is necessary for busy higher officials.

c. There is some question as to whether the publication "Situation Summary" for which this category is preserved is really necessary in view of its overlap with the Watch Committee's Report. If, however, it is necessary it is proposed that its title might be changed to "World Digest" or "Weekly World Digest" or "Indications Digest."

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